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Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor Maso and the Frisco City Council
Thru: George Purefoy, City Manager
From: Deputy Chief Greg Ward, Police Department
CC: Ron Patterson, Assistant City Manager
Todd Renshaw, Police Chief
Date: 3/18/2010
Re: Grants to support Police Department Personnel for the purchase of a specially equipped support vehicle and mobile communications platform.

Action Requested: Consider and Act on a Resolution approving the terms and conditions of a grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, National Institute of Justice for funding the purchase, testing and deploying of a Mobile Interoperable Communication System Portable Tower and authorizing the submission of the grant application by the City Manager or his designee.

Background Information: This resolution supports the submission of a grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, National Institute of Justice for funding the purchase of a Mobile Interoperable Communications System and Portable Tower (MICS-PT). Although this grant does not require any matching funds, the application does include cash-match funding for personnel costs, fuel and maintenance on the vehicle. The City contribution would be 10% of salaries and benefits of existing positions which include the Radio System Manager and Police Officer Assistant in the amount of \$21,292. We estimate annual costs for fuel and maintenance to be no more than \$2,000, a total contribution of \$23,292. There is also an overtime component for the grant to fund overtime of support personnel during an afterhours deployment of approximately \$3,932 dollars (80 hrs@ Step 8 Officer).

The total funding amount requested for the (MICS-PT) is \$428,957. Once purchased, the MICS-PT will become part of the Public Safety Communications System for the City of Frisco and may be called upon to supplement communications within the North Central Texas Council of Governments jurisdiction at special or high-profile events or in the event of a manmade or natural disaster.

Board Review/Citizen Input: None

Alternatives: The Council could choose to deny this request or request additional information.

Staff Recommendation: Staff requests that the council authorize the City Manager or his designee to submit the applications for these grants.

Thank you for your consideration of this item, if I can be of any support, please contact me at 972-292-6150 or by email at gward@friscotexas.gov

Grant Application Confirmation Number ____2010-90223-TX-IJ_____